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Presented for filing is a new continuation patent application of:

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Title: MOLECULAR MARKER FOR MUSCLE STEM CELLS

The prior application is assigned of record to The General Hospital Corporation, a Massachusetts corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on January 1, 2000 at Reel 010551 and on Frame 0875.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

	<u>Pages</u>
Specification	33
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## Enclosures:

- Form PTO-1449, 7 pages, listing documents cited in the parent application. Please confirm that these have been considered in this application by returning a copy of the Form PTO-1449 with the examiner's initials.
- Preliminary amendment, 7 pages.

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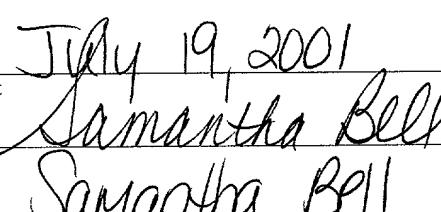
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- Small Entity Statement, 2 pages.
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Under 35 USC § 120, this application is a continuation of U.S. application serial no. 09/053,031, filed April 1, 1998, which claims priority from U.S. application serial no. 60/041,825, filed April 1, 1997 (now expired). The entire disclosures of the prior applications are considered part of (and are incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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Total claims in excess of 20 times \$9	\$126
Independent claims in excess of 3 times \$40	\$240
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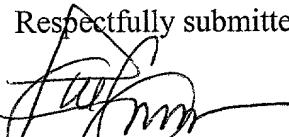
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